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Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of candor under 37 CFR §1.56 and in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, Applicant is not aware of any material prior art but, in an abundance of caution and candor, Applicant submits the present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are included herewith.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before receipt of the first Office Action on the merits and constitutes a bona fide attempt to comply with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

Applicant advises the Examiner of corresponding United States Patent No. 6,662,802 which issued on December 16, 2003 and of corresponding United States patent application Serial No. 10/649,938 which was filed on August 27, 2003.

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